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INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, etc. (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1 53(b)) L804517605US **APPLICATION ELEMENTS** ADDRESS To. Washington, DC 20231 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents Fee Transmittal Form (e g , PTO/SB/17)
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Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission Applicant claims small entity status 8 (if applicable, all necessary) See 37 CFR 1 27. Computer Readable Form (CRF) 3. Specification [Total Pages 110 Х (preferred arrangement set forth below) Specification Sequence Listing on Descriptive title of the invention
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 Background of the Invention Statements verifying identity of above copies **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS** Brief Summary of the Invention
 Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 9. - Detailed Description Claim(s)
 Abstract of the Disclosure 37 CFR 3 73(b) Statement Power of 10. Attorney (when there is an assignee) 100 English Translation Document (if applicable) 11. X Drawing(s) (35 U S.C. 113) (Total Sheets Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Preliminary Amendment 13 Newly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) х 14 (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) 15 **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (if foreign priority is claimed) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1 63(d)(2) and 1 33(b) Nonpublication Request under 35 U S.C 122 (b)(2)(B)(i) 16. Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent Unexecuted Declaration 17. X Other: Application Data Sheet See 37 CFR 1.76 18 If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 176 X | Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No PCT/JP01/03417 Continuation Divisional Group / Art Unit Prior application information. Examiner For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Correspondence address below X | Customer Number or Bar Code Label ог Name Address Zip Code Cıty State Telephone Country 32,768 Robert B Registration No (Attorney/Agent) Name (Print/Type)

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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20	148	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))			
102 84 202 42 Independent claims in excess of 3 104 280 204 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37CFR 1.129(b))			
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